IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA BILLINGS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CR 21–45–BLG–DLC-2

Plaintiff,

VS.

ORDER

PEGGY WAPLES,

Defendant.

United States Magistrate Judge Timothy J. Cavan entered Findings and Recommendation in this matter on October 22, 2021. (Doc. 59.) Neither party objected and therefore they are not entitled to *de novo* review. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *United States v. Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003). This Court will review the Findings and Recommendation for clear error.

**McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc., 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). Clear error exists if the Court is left with a "definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed." *United States v. Syrax*, 235 F.3d 422, 427 (9th Cir. 2000).

Judge Cavan recommends that this Court accept Defendant Peggy Waples' guilty plea after Ms. Waples appeared before him pursuant to Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and entered a guilty plea to one count of

possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) (Count III), as set forth in the Indictment. Reviewing for clear error, the Court finds none.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Judge Cavan's Findings and Recommendation (Doc. 59) is ADOPTED in full.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant Peggy Waples' motion to change plea (Doc. 41) is GRANTED and Ms. Waples is adjudged guilty as charged in Count III of the Indictment.

DATED this 8th day of November, 2021.

Dana L. Christensen, District Judge

United States District Court